

JSPS Core-to-Core Program Seminar

International Research Seminar on Conservation for the Wall Paintings in Cappadocia

3rd edition
16 September 2025

Programme:

9:00- 9:30 Opening

Background of the projects
Paola Pogliani, Tuscia University
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Conservation and evaluation of the restoration work in Cappadocia

9:30-10:00

Estimation of deterioration factors based on micro-environmental monitoring and surface treatment test for conservation of rock-hewn church in Cappadocia
Chiemi Iba: Kyoto University

10:00-10:30

Tokalı project. New evidence on the patronage of New Tokalı church from the restoration worksite
Maria Andaloro: Tuscia University

Tea Break

11:00-11:30

Tokalı's Wall Painting Techniques and Materials: in-depth analysis of organics
Paola Pogliani, Claudia Pelosi, Esther Imperlini: Tuscia University; Antonella Casoli, Marianna Potenza: Parma University;
Ömer Kantoğlu: TENMAK Ankara

11:30-11:45

Importance of public awareness for protecting Cappadocia site: a case study from Üzümlü church, Red valley
Yoko Taniguchi: University of Tsukuba

11:45-12:00

Tokalı project: enhancement tools for the dissemination and accessibility
Paola Pogliani, Valeria Valentini:Tuscia University; Federico Capriuoli: Acas3D

Lunch Break

Knowledge of tuff rock deterioration and conservation

13:00-13:30

Study on Material Properties and Deterioration of Tuff Used as Exterior Cladding at the Former Ko-shi'en Hotel, Japan
Tomoko Uno: Mukogawa Women's University

Tuff rock characterization: before and after treatment
Yoko Taniguchi: University of Tsukuba

13:30-14:00

Geoengineering Problems Threatening the Integrity of Rock hewn Structures in Cappodocia with a Special Emphasis on Tokalı Church
Mutluhan Akın, İsmail Dinçer, Ahmet Orhan: Nevşehir Hacı Bektaş Veli University, Türkiye

14:00-14:30

Improving the strength of deteriorated volcanic rocks: first results of tests in Tokalı Church
Livia Alberti, Cristina Caldi, Sara Scioscia, Maria Cristina Tomassetti: Tuscia University; Mutluhan Akın, İsmail Dinçer, Ahmet Orhan: Nevşehir Hacı Bektaş Veli University

Conservation Working with the Governorship of Nevşehir

14:30-15:00

Restoration and Conservation Project of St. Nicholas Church Wall Paintings
Mustafa Toptepe, Yaşar Bulmuş: Nevşehir Conservation and Restoration Regional Laboratory

15:00-15:30

Keşlik Monastery (Archangel Church) Wall Paintings Conservation Project 1st Stage Works
Beyza Nur Öztürk, Filiz SEZER, Mustafa Toptepe: Nevşehir Conservation and Restoration Regional Laboratory

Other issues

15:30-16:00

A Research Plan on Estimating Lead Sources in Anatolia: Analysis of Lead-Based Pigments, Lead Seals, and Coins
Ryo Takayanagi: University of Tsukuba

16:00-17:00 Site Visit

Venue: Vali Şinasi Kuş Culture and Congress Center, Mustafa Hayri Efendi Hall, Nevşehir Hacı Bektaş Veli University

